

HB 586 -- PEER SUPPORT SPECIALISTS

SPONSOR: Rhoads

This bill prohibits a peer support specialists who obtains information from a law enforcement officer or emergency services personnel while acting in his or her capacity as a peer support counselor to disclose any confidential information unless certain factors, as specified in the bill, are met. There is no prohibition on communication between peer support specialists or any communication between the specialists and the supervisors or staff of an employee assistance program. There is also no prohibition on communication regarding fitness of an employee for duty between an employee assistance program and an employer.